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In re Application of:
Dong-Wuk Choi

Confirmation: 8320

Serial No.: 10/749,248

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Examiner: Boswell, Christopher J

For: Break-Prevention Structure of Outside
Vehicle Door Handle

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**PETITION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.137 (b) TO REVIVE
AN UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED PATENT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

The above-identified application was unintentionally abandoned.

Applicants hereby petition for revival of this application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the petition fee of \$750.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(m) and any fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0310. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith. A reply to the Final Office Action in the form of an amendment was filed on October 28, 2005.

Since this utility application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

Statement: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b) was unintentional.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.114, Applicants re-submit the following amendments and remarks, previously submitted on October 28, 2005, in response to the detailed Office Action mailed April 29, 2005, and respectfully request the amendments and remarks be entered in the file of the above identified application.

Claims are provided in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended): A break-prevention structure of an outside door handle for vehicles, the structure comprising:

a pivoting portion integrally formed at an end of a door handle, pivotally inserted into a door handle rotating space formed at one end of a handle base and ~~functionizing as forming~~ a rotating center of the door handle, the rotating center being an instantaneous rotating center moving on the surface of the pivoting portion when the door handle rotates; and

a guide portion formed at an opposite end of the door handle and inserted into a handle operating space formed at an opposite end of said handle base, wherein said pivoting portion is formed with a stopper which protrudes toward said handle base in a vertical direction in relation to a rotating surface of the door handle, and said handle rotating space is formed with a stopper groove into which said stopper is inserted.

2. (Original): The structure as defined in claim 1, wherein said stopper groove comprises:

a radial direction restricting portion for restricting movement of said stopper to a rotating direction of the door handle; and

a circumferential direction restricting portion for restricting movement of said stopper to a rotating direction of the door handle.

3. (Original): The structure as defined in claim 1, wherein two stoppers are disposed, each at an upper surface and a bottom surface of said pivoting portion.

4. (Currently Amended): A break-prevention structure of an outside door handle for vehicles, the structure comprising:

a handle base having a door handle rotating space at one end and a handle operating space at an opposite end;

a door handle having a pivoting portion integrally formed at one end and a guide portion formed an opposite end, wherein said pivoting portion is configured and dimensioned as a rotating center of the door handle when pivotally inserted into said handle rotating space, the rotating center being an instantaneous rotating center moving on the surface of the pivoting portion when the door handle rotates.

5. (Previously Presented): The structure of claim 4, wherein said pivoting portion is formed with a stopper that protrudes toward said handle base in a vertical direction in relation to a rotating surface of the door handle, and said handle rotating space being formed with a stopper groove into which said stopper is inserted.

6. (Previously Presented): The structure of claim 5, wherein said stopper groove comprises:

a radial direction restricting portion for restricting movement of said stopper to a rotating direction of the door handle; and

a circumferential direction restricting portion for restricting movement of said stopper to a rotating direction of the door handle.

7. (Previously Presented): The structure of claim 5, wherein two stoppers are disposed, each at an upper surface and a bottom surface of said pivoting portion.

REMARKS:

Claims 1-7 are pending in the application. In the Office Action dated April 29, 2005, The Examiner rejected claims 1-7 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Number 5,685,581 to Kritzler et al. (hereinafter "Kritzler").

In this amendment, independent claims 1 and 4 were amended to include the limitation that the rotating center is an instantaneous rotating center moving on the surface of the pivoting portion when the door handle rotates. This limitation is not new matter; see paragraph 005 lines 3-5; paragraph 15 line 7; paragraph 19 lines 2-5; and Figs. 3 and 5, element 21. In contrast, Kritzler's handle rotates around a fixed pivot pin or bar 5 which is centered on a stationary axis A (column 2 lines 63-67 and Figs. 1-3 and 5-7). The pivoting portion of the instant application is essential in achieving improved durability of the door handle (paragraph 004 lines 2-3) and is not disclosed in Kritzler. For this reason, claims 1 and 4 and the claims dependent thereon are not anticipated by the cited reference.

Claim 1 was also amended to correct typographical errors. No new matter was added.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Authorization is granted to charge any outstanding fees due at this time for the continued prosecution of this matter to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (matter no. 060945-0136)

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